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PROLOGUE















HEART'S  
THATTS

OH, THAT.  
IT'S A  
WORKSHOP  
FROM OVER A  
THOUSAND  
YEARS AGO.



BUT, EVER SINCE NATURAL GOLD DEPOSITS OF EXTREMELY HIGH PURITY WERE DISCOVERED HERE, THIS PLACE HAS BEEN A MAJOR FOCUS OF ATTENTION



IT WAS SHIFTED TO ITS CURRENT POSITION BY TECTONIC MOVEMENTS IN THIS AREA

A THOUSAND YEARS?



THESE GOLD DEPOSITS WERE HAVEN'T EVEN BEEN COMPLETELY MINED OUT YET.

I SUPPOSE IT WAS BECAUSE THESE GOLD DEPOSITS WERE THE FIRST EVER DISCOVERED IN THIS LAND



HEY!

BOYS ARE SO SILLY WHEN THEY TALK ABOUT THEIR OBSESSIONS.



Kai really loves talking about rocks. He looks so happy



THERE  
AREN'T ANY  
CHERRIES  
THERE, GILLY.  
IT'S JUST A  
NAME.

OH, IS  
THAT  
ALL...

WOW! I'M  
WANTING TO  
PICK SOME  
CHERRIES!

THIS IS LAKE  
CHERRY?  
CHECK OUT  
THE PURPLE  
WATER!



NOT YET.  
ABOUT  
ANOTHER  
HOUR TO  
GO.

NO WAY!



ARE  
WE  
THERE  
YET?

MY  
GETTING  
COLDER



The  
TRACK  
ENTERED  
A NOW  
MOSTLY  
CLOSED  
SIDE  
TRACK.



Climbing  
through the  
developing  
cold air  
of the  
mountains,  
the railway  
track  
slowly  
pulls  
itself up  
the incline.



I notice  
Pipi  
growing  
ever  
more  
silent.

A  
SCENERY  
THAT I  
NEVER  
RECOGNIZED  
SO LONG  
AGO  
CAME  
INTO  
VIEW



WE'RE  
THERE.

PPH.



HEY  
HELLO TO  
DAN FOR  
ME.



SO JUST  
WAIT  
FOR ME  
AROUND  
HERE,  
MAY?

THANKS,  
MR.  
JERRY.

WELL, I'LL  
BE PASSING  
THROUGH  
HERE AGAIN  
IN THE  
EVENING.



DANT?





I'M TIRED...  
MY FEET  
HURT.

JUST A  
LITTLE BIT  
FURTHER.

HEY KAI...  
ARE WE  
THERE YET?



I'LL BE  
FINE.

JUST STOP  
TREATING  
ME LIKE A  
LITTLE KID.



I'LL GIVE  
YOU A  
PUSH  
BACK.



Kai seems  
a little  
different  
today.



SURE.

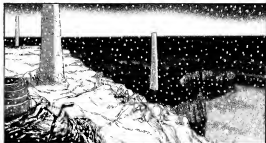












MY EARLIEST  
MEMORIES ARE  
OF MOVING ORE  
FROM THE MINE  
ON THE RAILWAY  
TRUCK.

I USED TO  
WORK WITH  
MY DAD AT  
THE MINE  
HERE.

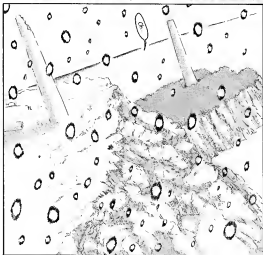


KOJI WAS  
JUST 4 AT  
THE TIME

DALL WAS  
MY AGE, AND  
NODOME WAS  
3 YEARS  
OLDER THAN  
US.

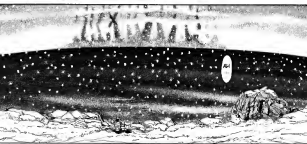
THERE WERE  
HEAPS OF  
OTHER KIDS  
WORKING IN  
THE MINE,  
JUST LIKE  
ME.



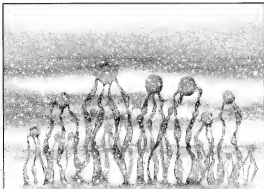








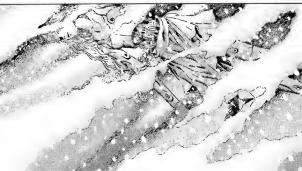








WIRE



YEAH,  
ALWAYS...  
ALWAYS.

WILL YOU  
ALWAYS  
STAY GOOD  
FRIENDS  
WITH ME?

NOT AT  
ALL.

KAIL... DON'T  
YOU HATE  
ME NOW  
BECAUSE  
I'M SUCH A  
GAYBABY?



When you  
look at  
MARIE, your  
heart is laid  
at ease.  
Words that  
you couldn't  
say just spill  
out naturally  
from your  
mouth.

*And then God said to Marie,  
Give the people of the  
world the gift of happiness.  
Give the people of  
the world the gift of peace.  
Give the people of the world  
the gift of an open heart.*

*-- From the Book of David, Genesis*



NO, NOT  
JUST PIRU.  
SHE WRAPS  
UP HUN-  
DREDS OF  
LANDS. ALL  
DIFFERENT.  
IN HER  
LOVING  
EMBRACE.

MARIE  
WRAPS UP  
THIS  
LAND,  
PIRU.



The  
MEMORIES  
OF A WINTER  
LONG PAST...



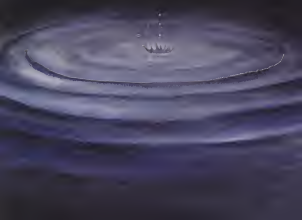
MY NOSE...  
DON'T  
STAND AT  
IT!



The  
following  
summer, my  
tenth...  
I became a  
part of  
Marie...

comes the  
dawn of  
our final  
year....

And now,  
in my  
eighteenth  
year







Like how  
the moon  
melts the  
darkness  
of the  
night...

Like how  
the sun  
pours its  
life-giving  
warmth  
over the  
land...

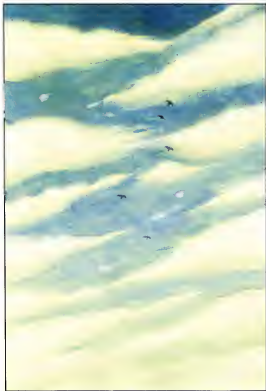


she  
orbits  
around  
our  
world.

MARIE  
lovingly  
keeps  
vigil above  
us as  
ever so  
slowly.



chapter 1  
gil, the  
workshop  
town







It's smother-  
tastically  
beautiful.

The entire  
garden was  
lovingly  
landscaped  
by Pipi  
herself.

THIS IS  
Pipi's  
GARDEN.





IT MUST  
BE HARD  
WORK,  
THERE ARE  
SO MANY OF THEM.



I WAS JUST  
GIVING OIL TO  
EVERYONE.



YEAH,  
IT IS.

She looks  
so happy,  
laughing  
like that.

As BEFITTING  
the CREATIONS  
of the Work  
shop, these  
ARTISAN, these  
MECHANICAL  
ANIMALS ARE  
AMAZINGLY  
REALISTIC,  
AND COME TO  
LIFE WITH JUST  
A TWIST OF  
THE KNOB ON  
THEIR BACKS.

By Everyone,  
Pipi is talking  
ABOUT these  
MECHANICAL  
ANIMALS, ALL  
BIRTHDAY GIFTS  
FROM HER FATHER,  
GAMU.





GAIN KINDLY  
TOOK ME  
IN AS AN  
ORPHAN AND  
ACTED AS MY  
FATHER IN  
MY PARENTS'  
STEAD.

AH, I  
SUPPOSE  
HE IS  
OVER  
THERE.

I WAS A WHEN I  
STARTED WORKING AT  
GAIN'S WORKSHOP  
& FOR 2 YEARS, AT  
THE AGE OF 10, I QUIT  
AND STARTED  
WORKING ON MY  
OWN. EVEN THOUGH  
I'M NOT WORKING  
FOR HIM ANYMORE,  
HE STILL LETS ME  
LIVE IN ONE OF HIS  
SPARE ROOMS.

HELLO, MR.  
GAIN.

OH, YOUR  
EYESIGHT  
REALLY HAS  
BEEN  
GETTING  
WORSE  
LATELY.



I ORDERED A  
NEW CRANK  
FROM MR.  
FUMIL. COULD  
YOU GO AND  
PICK IT UP FOR  
ME?

YEP.







NOT ONLY  
IS GIL A  
COMMUNITY  
OF HIGHLY  
SPECIALIZED  
TECHNICIANS,  
IT IS ALSO A  
COMMUNITY  
OF INVENTORS.

ALL KINDS OF  
MECHANICAL  
CONTRAP-  
TIONS ARE  
MADE HERE  
AND BARTERED  
FOR OTHER  
GOODS WITH  
A MULTITUDE  
OF OTHER  
ISLANDS.





BUT SOMEHOW,  
GETTING LOST  
AMONG THE SOFT  
CURVES AND LINES  
OF THE BUILDINGS  
CAN BE STRANGELY  
SOOTHING.

















SOUNDS  
LIKE  
TROUBLE!

WAMP

MYSE KATO  
DISCOVERED  
SOMETHING!

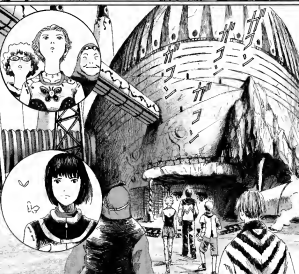
I  
DUNNO  
...

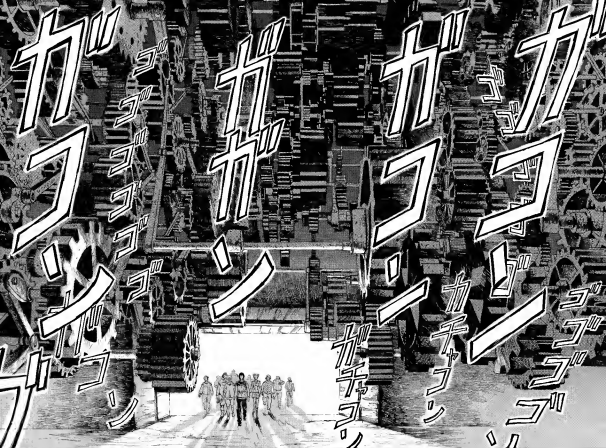
IS  
SOME-  
THING  
LEFT?



NO MATTER  
HOW SMALL  
THE SOUND IS,  
MY EARS CAN  
PICK IT UP.











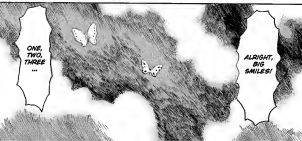






EVEN SOMETHING LIKE  
THIS IS BIG NEWS, HERE  
AT THE WORKSHOP.  
BY TOMORROW, I'AM SURE  
EVERYONE WILL KNOW  
WHAT HAPPENED.

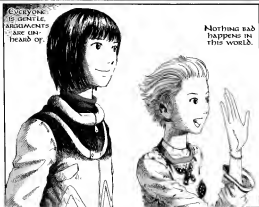




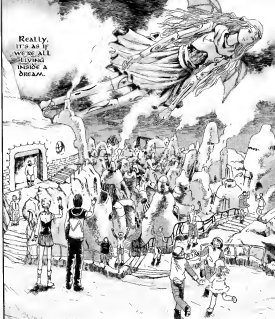


I think  
it's a  
FANTASTIC  
NAME.

A machine that  
takes pictures of  
I dream...  
The dreamo-  
graph machine...

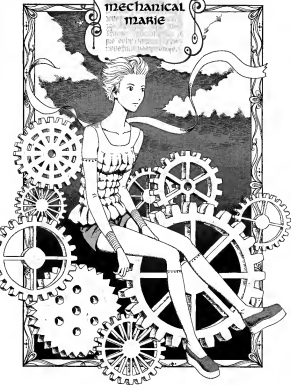


Really,  
it's as if  
we're all  
living  
inside a  
dream.



chapter 2

mechanical  
marie











YEAH  
HE'S BEEN  
GONE SINCE  
YESTERDAY,  
THOUGH.

WHEN HE'S  
OFF ON  
ONE OF HIS  
EXPEDITIONS,  
HE CAN DIS-  
APPEAR FOR  
DAYS AT A  
TIME.



THE KID?



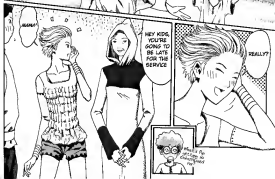
MARGO  
USED TO  
WORK  
DOWN IN  
THE  
MINES.

AH,  
JUST  
LIKE  
KAI!



EVEN OUT IN  
THE MINES WE  
HEAR STORIES  
ABOUT KAI.

HE WANTS  
TO MEET  
KAI, YOU  
SEE.



HEY KID,  
YOU'RE  
GOING TO  
BE LATE  
FOR THE  
SERVICE.

REALLY??



After the  
service, he  
goes to the  
train station.





THE MEN OF OIL  
LIKE TO SAY THAT  
THERE ISN'T ANY-  
THING THAT CAN'T  
BE BUILT WITH A  
FEW GEARS AND  
A LITTLE POWER

THIS IS THE  
FACTORY WHERE THEY  
PRODUCE  
GEARS



YOUR  
PAPA IS A  
PERFECT  
EXAMPLE.

THEY'RE  
ALWAYS  
COMING UP  
WITH AMAZING  
NEW IDEAS.



IT'S "FROM  
TODAY ON!"

IT'S NOT  
"FROM  
TOMOR-  
ROW ON!"

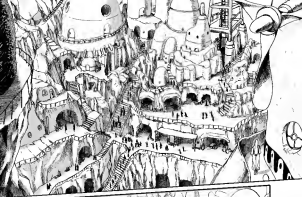
PAY NO  
ATTENTION  
TO TOTTO,  
MARU!

BUT I'M SO  
CLUMSY...

FROM  
TOMORROW  
ON, YOU'LL  
BE ONE  
OF THEM,  
MARU

Oops!  
Darnit,  
that's my  
bag!

My Gears  
are so fast,  
too







THIS IS A  
MECHANICAL  
PUPPET  
WORKSHOP.



EEK!



SO, EVEN THOUGH  
WHAT THEY ARE  
DOING HERE ISN'T  
WRONG, THERE'S  
A BIT OF GUILT  
ATTACHED TO THEIR  
WORK. THAT'S WHY  
THESE WORKSHOPS  
WERE BUILT UNDER-  
GROUND.

OF COURSE,  
THE CREATION  
OF THE HUMAN  
FORM IS GOD'S  
WORK.

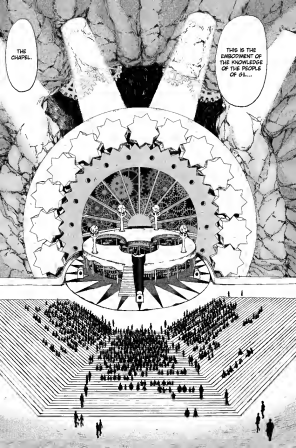


I really don't belong here



THE  
CHAPEL.

THIS IS THE  
EMBODIMENT OF  
THE KNOWLEDGE  
OF THE PEOPLE  
OF OZ...







Hot water  
flowing... a  
solid body  
of iron  
ore...

A mine  
cavern 10  
meters  
below the  
surface...



Could  
it be  
magnetic  
iron...?

But the  
sounds are  
slightly  
muddled...



With  
just a tap,  
they reveal  
all their  
secrets to  
me...

Sabrina, just  
spare a little  
time, stand  
like a good  
mortal does—  
the vibrations  
of the stones  
are all delicate  
and beautiful.

That sound  
which fills  
the entire  
sky...

And, if I listen  
carefully, I can  
hear that sound,  
waived deep  
within the stones  
themselves.



KNOWLEDGE  
GIVES  
BIRTH TO  
KNOWLEDGE



SO, LET  
US PRAY.

KNOWLEDGE  
BLESSES  
THIS LAND  
WITH  
PLENTY.



IT'S  
COMING!







AT THIS POINT IN TIME, HUMANITY'S MOST ADVANCED TECHNOLOGIES HAVE BEEN USED TO BUILD WHAT IS HERE.

THE WORK-SHOPS, NO...

WE BELIEVE THAT BY MASTERING TECHNOLOGY, WE LEARN TO REALIZE THE LIMITS OF HUMAN ABILITY AND THERE DEEPEN OUR RESPECT FOR GOD.



I love the harmonies this music box makes...















Go well Forte  
and the rest  
of them since  
then, it's just  
the two of  
us.

ff  
ff

FFI DID  
SOME THINK-  
ING WHILE  
LISTENING TO  
THE MUSIC  
BOX...

YEAH

WE WENT TO  
THE CHAPEL  
TODAY.



YOU'RE THE  
ONLY ONE  
WHO GETS  
TO LISTEN TO  
THE MUSIC  
BOXES.

IT'S SO  
UNFAIR,  
KAI.





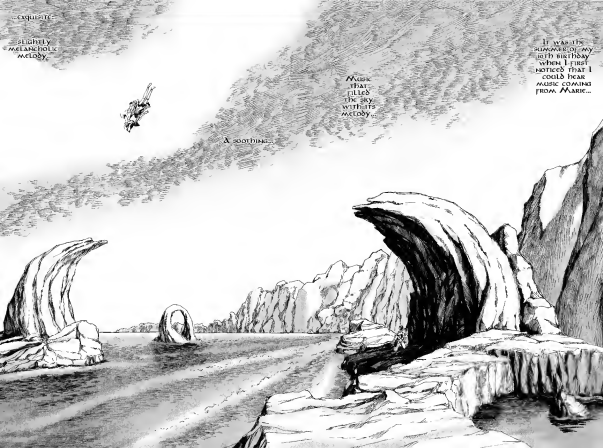
...EXQUISITE...

SLIGHTLY  
MELANCHOLIC  
MELODY...

MUSIC  
THAT  
FILLED  
THE SKY  
WITH ITS  
MELODY...

IT WAS THE  
SUMMER OF MY  
18TH BIRTHDAY  
WHEN I FIRST  
NOTICED THAT I  
COULD HEAR  
MUSIC COMING  
FROM MARIE...

A SOOTHING...







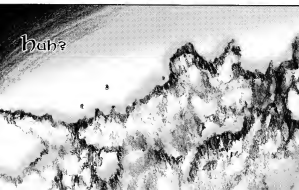
Pfft, and  
just when  
it's just the  
two of us  
here...

Can't you  
even pay  
just a little  
attention to  
Pipi?

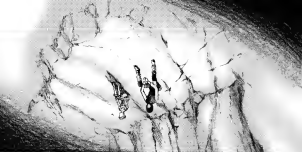
~~~~~  
~~~~~  
~~~~~



What kind  
of music  
must it be to  
enrage Kai  
like that?



huh?



This  
is...



This  
is the  
view  
from  
MARIE'S  
eyes...

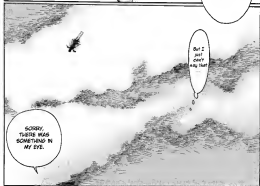




WHAT'S  
WRONG, PAPA?



Someday, I get  
the feeling that  
he's going to go  
far, far away...



SORRY,  
THERE WAS  
SOMETHING IN  
MY EYE.

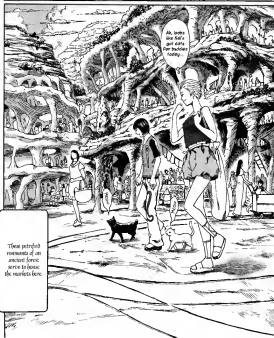
But I  
just  
can't  
say that...

chapter 3

A distant  
memory



Takagi I've  
noticed the  
moonlight really  
kill.



Ah, looks  
like Kiki's  
got work  
for business  
today...

These petrified  
remnants of an  
ancient forest  
serve to house  
the residents here.



AAAA .  
WHAT  
A NICE  
SHELL.



FRESH FRUIT  
FROM RUSA  
ISLAND  
JUST CAME  
IN TODAY.

HEY THERE,  
PEPE! TAKE  
AS MUCH AS  
YOU WANT!

FOURNEY

The vast  
array of  
products on  
display  
creates a  
bountiful  
rainbow of  
colors.



A line  
forming  
around the  
markets.



LOOKS LIKE  
THE LATEST  
STYLES FROM  
JANEL ISLAND  
ARE IN!



AH!

After their  
shopping spree,  
it felt like  
the source of  
inspiration had  
been to look  
up on display  
here.





Peppercorn, cloves, and other goods from dozens of different islands are sold at the marketplace here.

Maroon Island is the island for leather goods.

Jewel Island specializes in jewelry.

Rice Island, with its fertile lands, is known as agricultural.

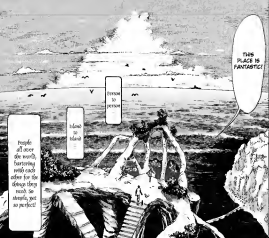


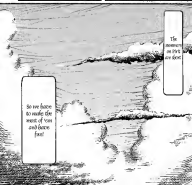
LET'S GO UP, MAN!

To exchange our island supplies with every and remove PEPPERCORN.















They don't  
summers...

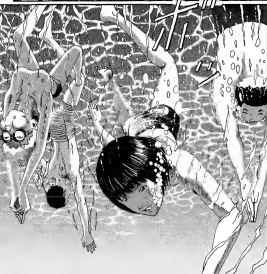
We've shared a  
lot of summers  
like this together...



Laughing  
and  
sitting  
firm  
together  
forever

I wish this  
summer  
could go on  
forever...











My  
consciousness  
slowly fading  
away...  
bubbles of  
blue, green,  
and yellow  
float under  
thousands of  
feet...

This  
feeling...

I remember  
this feeling...



Distance...  
And then...  
and then...  
Complete  
darkness...



AND THEN...  
A BLINDING  
LIGHT APPEARS  
BEFORE ME.



TOTTOOOO  
WASSH'S  
KAI?



HEAT  
DUNKO.



HEAT?



**KAI!!!**



**KAI!**



**KAI!!**



Sorry...

Sorry, Kari...

IS  
ENJOYABLE  
ENOUGH

JUST  
STANDING  
HERE LIKE  
THIS

PIPI!

PIPI, GET A  
HOLD-UP  
YOURSELF!

Kari?

PIPI?

PIPI!



I THOUGHT  
KAI HAD  
DISAPPEARED  
AGAIN...

NOT  
AGAIN...



NOOO  
OOOOO  
OOO!!



I'M SORRY I  
WORRIED YOU,  
PIPP.

Waaaaagh...  
~gii~



IT WAS  
IN THE PART  
OF THE SEA  
WHERE WE  
WERE TODAY...



HMM?

DURING THE  
CLEANUP  
WHEN KAN  
WAS TEN  
YEARS OLD,  
HE DISAP-  
PEARED





LET'S RACE  
TO THAT  
ROCK!

TOTTOY  
KAI!



OH YEAH,  
THERE'S  
NOWHERE  
TO SWIM  
OUT BY THE  
MINES.

IT WAS  
STILL JUST  
KAI'S SECOND  
YEAR IN SJL,  
SO HE WASN'T  
TOO GOOD  
AT SWIMMING  
YET.

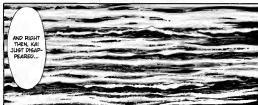


BT  
DUKE



ONE,  
TWO,  
THREE

KNOWING THAT,  
AND WITH A  
LITTLE MISCHIEF  
PLANNED OUT,  
PET MADE THE  
CHALLENGE...





AFTER A  
FEW DAYS,  
EVERYONE  
HAD GIVEN  
UP.



THERE  
WERE MORE  
THAN JUST  
FIVE...



SO  
SORRY...

I'M SO  
SORRY, KAI.





YOU KNOW, I'M SURE THAT  
WHEN KAI COMES BACK  
AND SEES YOU LOOKING  
SICK LIKE THIS, HE'LL BE  
EVEN MORE UPSET.



LO! KAI'S  
GOTTA BE EVEN  
HAPPIER THAN  
I AM...



FIFI!

Waaaaahh!



Many days and  
nights passed...

PLEASE

SOMEBODY,  
LET KAI...



On the  
right of my  
bloody  
bag of  
money...



It was a  
retreat...



\*cough\*  
\*cough\*

\*cough\*

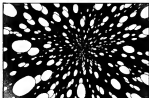


Ever since  
that day,  
Eito can  
barely even  
manage to  
pick up  
my sword.



But I lost  
my memory of  
those fifteen  
days.



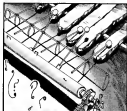


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The three  
wise men  
of the  
forest

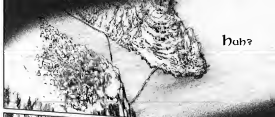












huh?



hey.  
that's  
me...





Right now...  
I must be  
looking  
through  
Yan's  
eyes.

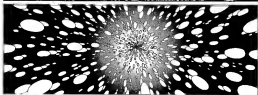
She's  
LOOKING  
AT ME.

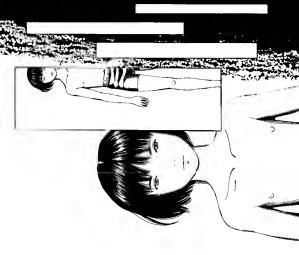
I've Found him.

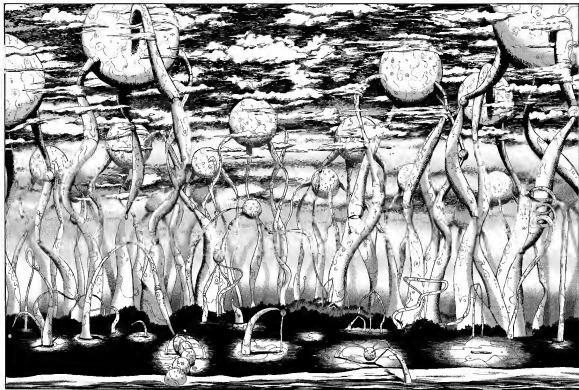


"The Marked One"...









the  
power...

This is...



AMAZING.







WERE HOVERED  
CONSTANTLY  
OVER HER  
CHILD, THE  
FOREST.

*The Principal  
embodiment of  
God's will as father  
Kamen Rider  
W. He is the one  
who is the most  
powerful in the  
world.*  
(The Prince of  
the Forest)



AS IF...

THAT FACE...  
IT SEEMED  
LIKE SHE  
SMILED JUST  
FOR ME.

WORDS IN AN UNKNOWN TONGUE FLOATED INTO THE RANGE OF MY HEARING

I CAN'T REMEMBER HOW MUCH TIME HAD PASSED

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At the  
**JOHNNIE WALKER**  
 OF THE  
 THROUGH  
 WALKER  
 WALKER

ABSOLUTE DARKNESS  
PROCEEDED  
UPON ME.

ONCE MORE,  
MY CON-  
SCIOUSNESS  
MELTED INTO  
DARKNESS.

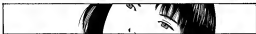
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PROCEEDED  
UPON ME.

ONCE MORE,  
MY CON-  
SCIOUSNESS  
MELTED INTO  
DARKNESS.





Explosion of the Heart  
Explosion of the Mind  
The Mind  
Explosion of the  
Explosion of the  
Explosion of the  
(The Book of the)







Listen, Marked One, for these words are the will of Marie. From now, your ears shall hear the whispers of spirits.



Your left hand shall open the Gate. Your right hand shall move time.



Many years from now, you shall become an entity beyond human. Soon after that, you shall hear "The Sound of the God."



When that time comes, this memory shall return.







THE HUMBLE  
OF WATER  
FLOWING DEEP  
UNDERGROUND

BY SIMPLY  
FOCUSING MY  
CONSCIOUSNESS,  
I WAS ABLE  
TO HEAR ANY  
SOUND IN  
EXISTENCE

THE  
FARAWAY  
SOUNDS OF  
A BIRD  
FLAPPING  
ITS WINGS.

THE WAILS  
OF A CRYING  
BABY ON THE  
OTHER SIDE OF  
THE ISLAND ON  
A CLEAR WIN-  
TER'S DAY.

AND THEN I  
FOUND THAT I  
COULD EVEN  
HEAR THAT  
SOUND...

EVEN  
HUMAN  
FEELINGS  
HAVE A  
SOUND.

THE SLOWLY  
ROLLING SOUNDS  
OF KINDNESS,  
THE SUBTLE  
TREMBLE OF  
SADNESS...









OVER A THOUSAND YEARS AGO, PEOPLE EXCAVATED THE TUNNELS FOR THE CHAPEL. THE BURIED TROVE OF ANCIENT DEVICES WAS DISCOVERED.

THEY ARE TESTIMONY TO THE HORRIFIC EVENTS PORTRAYED IN THE ANCIENT LITERATURE.



HUH?

TOOLS BUILT FOR THE SOLE PURPOSE OF KILLING...





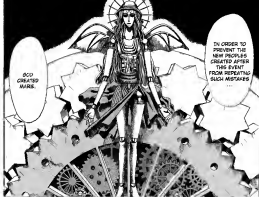
ACCORDING  
TO LEGENDS,  
IN OLD TIMES,  
THE PEOPLE OF  
THIS WORLD  
FOUGHT AND  
KILLED EACH  
OTHER.

SATISFYING  
ONE'S OWN  
DESIRE  
FIGHTING  
EACH OTHER  
OVER LAND  
AND RICHES.

THE  
WITNESSES  
TELL OF  
SUCH ACTS  
CONTINUING  
FOR TENS OF  
THOUSANDS  
OF YEARS.

GOD COULD  
NOT WATCH  
OVER SUCH  
A WORLD  
AND STAND  
IDLY BY.

SO GOD  
BROUGHT DOWN  
MASSIVE RAINS  
TO FLOOD THE  
WORLD, DROWNING  
BOTH MAN AND  
LAND BENEATH  
THE SEA.



GOD  
CREATED  
MARE.

IN ORDER TO  
PREVENT THE  
NEW PEOPLES  
CREATED AFTER  
THIS EVENT  
FROM REPEATING  
SUCH MISTAKES



WITHOUT DOUBT,  
THE MUSIC OF  
MARE PURIFIES  
THE HEART OF  
MAN.





THE MEANING  
OF THIS  
UNFORTU-  
NATELY  
REMAINS A  
MYSTERY TO  
ME.

"YOUR LEFT  
HAND SHALL  
OPEN THE  
GATE. YOUR  
RIGHT HAND  
SHALL MOVE  
TIME."



A PART  
OF...

YOU  
BECAME  
A PART  
OF GOD,  
KAI.

ON THAT  
SUMMER OF  
YOUR 10TH  
YEAR...

GOD?



And at the  
root of this is  
a deeply held  
desire to  
simply bring  
happiness to  
everyone else...

Across all  
the lands on  
this world  
people work  
to realize  
their dreams.





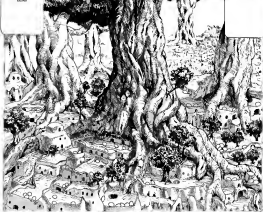
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their  
Feelings

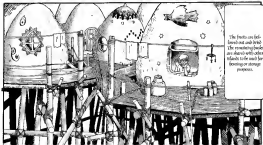


The fruit that falls from these trees is central to the lives of the residents of this island.

On the island of Nady, gigantic trees stretch their limbs high into the sky.



The fruits are fed, loved, and used here. The remaining seeds are stored with other islanders to be used for planting or storage purposes.







the people  
of rule descend  
to a state  
of explicit  
mutual war...

Early stages  
in nature of  
civilization  
beginning



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although it  
cannot be  
said with  
certainty, when  
they eat  
this fruit...

The fruit  
of rule



are completely  
natural, accord-  
ing to the  
people of rule

The fruits that  
fall from the  
tree of rule are  
an expression of  
Mao's will, in  
the effects of  
the fruit...



The agricultural God  
of this is thought to  
be a deity for water and  
an island for water.

However, men and women cooperate to work and are free to travel between the islands. They apparently get along very well.



And the women  
don't wear  
anything special.



On these  
islands, men  
and women  
get  
along.

The dolphins have  
lots of names, listed  
along with their  
as the dolphins are  
valued by everyone  
in their community.  
In addition,  
because they are  
raised with great  
care and affection.



And even a poem  
for the sake  
of having  
dolphins, they  
understand the  
importance of the  
animal world.

Hi PPL.



There  
are many  
examples of the  
many different  
people who  
live in the world.





In our land, men,  
men naturally  
get married with  
women, and this  
their first experience



WELL, THEY'VE  
ALREADY  
STARTED!



HAPPY BIRTH-  
DAY, ANGEL!

What a little  
strange it does  
seem to me...



On the girl's  
festival!

There's no  
present only  
cost a lot

ADAM'S  
STARTED  
DANCING!

OH, THERE  
ARE TWO  
PROPOSERS  
TO MARRY!

HUMAN'S  
GIVEN HER A  
PROPOSED  
PRESENT!





The girl also has to make an appeal before the proposal.



KIEELAYS  
STARTED  
TO DANCE!



The man who  
receives the egg from  
Kieelays will gain the  
right to marry Kieelays.

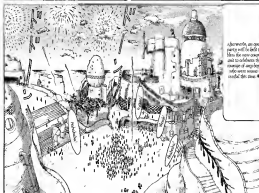
Who will get to  
propose to Kieelays?  
Akuma or Natsu? Or  
perhaps, another  
man?

★ If the egg is somehow damaged, the girl is considered to have no wish to marry. The egg is an extremely important item. Those who wish to remain single indicate this by placing the broken egg in front of their house 3 days before their birthday.







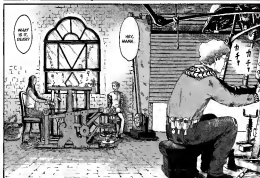


• The following day, the couple will exchange wedding vows in front of their families at the chapel.











"WELL, EVEN IF YOU SAY NO THIS YEAR, I'LL JUST PROPOSE AGAIN NEXT YEAR!" I SAID.



WHAT DO YOU SAY?

WELL, THAT WAS THE ONE WHO PROPOSED, RIGHT?



SHUT UP! YOU'RE RUINING MY CONCENTRATION!

HEEE— AND THEN, AND THEN WHAT DO YOU SAY?



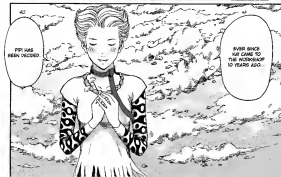
"ARE YOU OK WITH THAT?" IS WHAT HE SAID.

"I'M 15 YEARS OLDER THAN YOU, AND I'M TOO ROUGH TO BE A GOOD MATCH FOR YOU."



















SINCE THE  
MEMORIES OF  
THE FOREST  
CAME BACK,  
SOMETHING  
INSIDE OF ME  
CHANGED.



WHEN NIGHT  
FALLS, I  
CAN'T WAIT  
FOR THE NEXT  
MORNING.  
I'M RESTLESS  
ON DAYS  
WHEN I DON'T  
SEE MARI.

Lately,  
before I  
KNOW IT,  
MY EYES ARE  
WATCHING  
MARI...

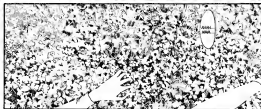


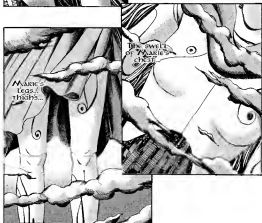
IT MUST  
BE THAT  
RIGHTY...

MAY  
FAITH HAS  
GOTTEN  
STRONGER.

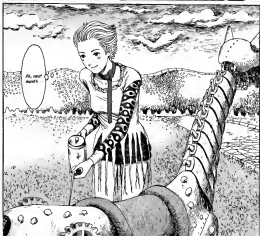








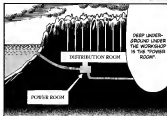




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blasphemy







ALL THE LARGE  
MACHINERY IN  
THE WORKSHOP  
ARE POWERED  
BY THIS SINGLE  
POWER SOURCE.

IT'S A LARGE  
HYDRAULIC MOTOR THAT  
GENERATES A  
TREMENDOUS  
AMOUNT OF  
ROTATIONAL  
POWER FROM  
THE MOVEMENT  
OF SEA WATER.



THE POWER  
FROM THIS  
SINGLE SOURCE  
IS DIVIDED UP  
INTO HUNDREDS  
OF THIN DIS-  
TINCTS IN THE  
DISTRIBUTION  
BLOCK.

JUST  
ONE... IT

IT'D LOVE  
TO BE  
ABLE TO  
CHECK THAT  
OUT!

YEAH.

ONLY THE HEAD  
OF THE WORK-  
SHOP AND THE  
"EXPLORE" ARE  
ALLOWED  
INNOV.

IT'S THE VERY  
HEART OF  
THE WORKSHOP  
AND ITS CREATION  
IS BASED  
ON MANY  
ELABORATE  
CALCULATIONS  
AND DELICATE  
TECHNOLOGIES.

YOU'RE NOT  
ALLOWED TO  
RET.

NEITHER  
AM I, THOUGH.





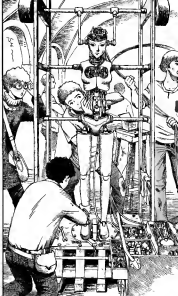




ALL IT'S ONE  
OF THOSE  
RECURRING  
PUPPETS



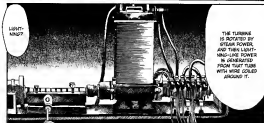
WELL, IF YOU  
DON'T MIND,  
LET'S GET  
STARTED



ARE YOU REMIND?  
THERE MUST BE  
ONE... A HANDFUL  
PANTS HERE

DO  
THAT'LL BE  
A PRICE OF  
CASH!

EACH BOX  
CONTAINS  
COMPONENTS  
AND A CORRESPONDING  
SCHEMATIC



APPARENTLY IT  
CAN WALK  
AROUND AND  
HAS AWARE-  
NESS OF ITS  
ENVIRONMENT,  
LIKE A HUMAN.

THAT "LIGHTNING  
POWER" IS USED  
TO POWER THE  
"LIGHTNING POWERED  
AUTOMATIC CALCU-  
LATING MACHINE" IN  
THE HEAD.









AND  
SCORES OF  
PROTOTYPES.

SOME-  
TIMES.

STORED IN  
HERE ARE  
COUNTLESS  
REFERENCE  
VOLUMES...







THEY SAY THAT  
THE POWER IS  
GENERATED BY  
CAUSING THE  
"CENTER" OF A  
CERTAIN METAL  
TO BREAK UP.

EVEN MORE  
AMAZING, A  
MODEL OF A  
CONTAINER  
CAPABLE OF  
PUTTING  
ACROSS  
MIGHTY  
MORE POWER.

I DON'T  
REALLY  
UNDER-  
STAND IT  
MYSELF.



BY STIMULATING THE  
EXPLOSION OF  
VAPOR-  
IZED OIL.

A DEVICE  
CAPABLE OF  
GENERATING  
SEVERAL  
HUNDRED  
THOUSAND  
TIMES THE  
POWER OF  
STEAM  
GENERATORS...



A DEVICE THAT CAN  
TRANSMIT SQUARES  
ACROSS LONG  
DISTANCES VIA  
LIGHTNING POWER.



It's  
huge!

THIS MACHINE  
CAN PERFORM  
TENS OF  
THOUSANDS OF  
CALCULATIONS  
SIMULTANEOUSLY.



WE CAN  
NEVER GET  
THIS TO  
WORK IN  
ANY USUAL  
MANNER.

THEORETICALLY,  
THEY'RE ALL  
SUPPOSED TO  
WORK.

MORE PRECISELY,  
THEIR INDIVIDUAL  
COMPONENTS  
WORK PERFECTLY  
BUT...



THESE WERE  
ALL MADE  
HUNDREDS OF  
YEARS AGO.



ARE THE  
"KEEPERS OF  
THE UNDER-  
GROUND".

THE ONES  
WHO DEVELOP  
AND RESEARCH  
ALL THE CUTTING-  
EDGE TECHNOL-  
OGY.



DAMU  
REALLY IS  
AMAZING!

DAMU IS  
ONE OF THE  
"EXPLOREERS"  
TOO.



SO THERE  
ARE THE  
"EXPLORE-  
ERS" YOU  
MENTIONED  
BEFORE.

I SEE  
SO THAT'S  
WHAT THEY  
DO.



OH!





Not much longer to go...



IT'S GETTING QUITE COLD LATELY.



PAPA WANTS TO TALK TO YOU

POPPA



IT'S A  
"GUY"



PAPA MUST  
HAVE DONE  
IT!



PAPA MUST  
HAVE DONE  
IT!





HOWEVER,  
NOT ONCE  
HAVE WE  
BEEN suc-  
cessful.

JUST  
LIKE FATHER,  
AND  
FATHER'S GRAND-  
FATHER...

FATHER TRIED TO  
MAKE SOMETHING THAT CAN  
FLY SO MANY  
TIMES TILL NOW.



HOWEVER,

THIS TIME, I'M  
GOING TO LET  
YOU FLY IN  
SOMETHING AS  
DANGEROUS AS THAT

THIS TIME  
THE BEST  
ONE YET! IT  
CAN FLY... I  
CAN FEEL IT.



WE MAY THINK  
FOR AN INSTANT  
THAT WE'VE  
MANAGED TO  
FLY, BUT THEN  
THE MACHINE  
BREAKS DOWN.



ALL

AND THERE'S  
NO WAY I'M  
GOING TO LET  
YOU FLY IN  
SOMETHING AS  
DANGEROUS AS THAT



IF WE TEST IT  
NOW AND IT  
BREAKS, THERE'S  
NO WAY WE'LL BE  
READY IN TIME FOR  
YOUR BIRTHDAY



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**DON'T WORRY  
I JUST WANT  
TO PRODUCE  
FOR ME A VIDEO**





WHAT DO  
I DO?

GO,  
PAPA.



It's  
a  
C



AND WHEN  
YOU SET THIS,  
THE WINGS  
WILL OPEN.

PULL YOUR  
LEGS OVER  
THIS PART.

AFTER THE  
PENGUIN-LIKE BEING  
AND THE SOUND  
STOPPED, PULL  
THIS.

OH



IT'S ONLY  
SAFE FOR  
YOU TO PULL  
UP TO THIS  
WHITE LINE.

THE  
GEARS DON'T  
ENGAGE YET.



AND IF YOU  
PULL THIS  
LEVER, THE  
WINGS WILL  
FLAP.

BEHOLD



YESAY

GO  
IT!









SO QUICKLY  
UP AND  
GET DOWN  
FROM THERE.

AMAZING,  
PINK.



AMAZING,  
DON'T YOU  
THINK?



HOW DO I  
GET DOWN  
FROM HERE?

AAA...



YOU  
WANTED TO  
SURPRISE  
ME.

AND  
YOU DID  
JUST...

HAH!  
I LOOK  
SO DUMB.

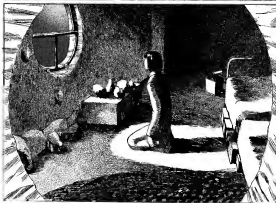


I CAN'T  
SEE  
BELOW  
ME--

JUST PUT  
YOUR FOOT ON  
MY SHOULDER.

WELL THEN,  
JUST TAKE  
OFF YOUR  
SKIRT.







THUMP



THUMP







Could it be...?

If can't be...

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pipi's  
RESOLUTION











AM I  
BEGINNING  
TO GO  
CRAZY?



WHY DID I  
DO THAT WITH  
MARIE...?



FILTHY



IT ALL  
STARTED  
AT THAT  
TIME...



THOSE  
FEELINGS...  
WERE BEEN  
JUST SPILLING  
OUT OF ME.

EVEN SINCE I  
TOLD YOU THAT  
MY BRANCHES  
OF MY TREE  
IN THE FOREST  
WAS DRYING...



BUT I JUST  
REFUSED  
TO NOT ACCEPT  
THAT...

IT WAS  
SOMETHING  
THAT CAN BE  
FORGIVEN.

PERHAPS, EVEN  
BEFORE THEN,  
I ALREADY  
ACCEPTED  
THOSE DIVINE  
WILLS ARE...

NO...





BUT THESE  
MULTITUDEOUS  
FEELINGS... WHAT  
SHOULD I DO  
ABOUT THEM?



I NO LONGER  
KNOW WHAT  
I WANT TO  
REALLY  
DO...



WHAT DO  
YOU ACTUALLY  
WANT TO TALK  
ABOUT, KIRI?

AND  
THAT?



*And bestowed upon  
the lips of Kiri,  
Prayer for Kiru  
And bestowed upon  
the heart of Kiri,  
Love for Kiru.  
(The Book  
of Love)*



WHAT?



THERE ARE  
AS MANY PLAYS  
TO LOVE AS  
THERE ARE  
PEOPLE

LOVE IS  
FAITH



HOWEVER

YOU ARE  
EXPRESSING  
YOUR DEVOTION  
WITH YOUR  
EYES AND

TO BE ABLE  
TO SEE SALES  
IN A SOCIAL  
MANNER...

I AM  
ENVYING  
OF YOU

I AM CERTAIN  
YOU WERE GIVING  
SOMETHING MUCH  
MORE THAN JUST  
YOUR HEAR  
ABLE TO HEAR.

THAT  
SUMMER  
WINDS YOU  
WILL TO  
FALL...





FATHER GULL -  
SO THAT MEANS  
I'M NOT CRAZY.  
-AM-19





THAT'S SO  
STUPID

JUST BECAUSE YOU  
THINK YOU LIKE  
JAMES, DOESN'T  
MEAN ANYTHING  
GOOD WILL COME  
OUT OF IT



NO!

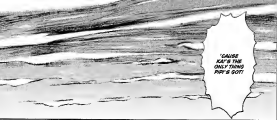
NO!

NO!



DON'T  
YOU TAKE  
KAI AWAY  
FROM ME!







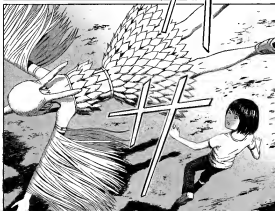






IF PIR WERE  
ABLE TO FLY,  
COULD PIR  
CONQUER  
WITH EASE?

BUT IF PIR  
WERE ABLE  
TO FLY...





BACK THEN, IT  
WAS NOTHING  
MORE THAN A  
KID'S FANTASY  
DAYDREAM.

THEY ARE,  
HOWEVER, IT'S  
DIFFERENT!





PAPA!



PAPA WILL  
FLY!

PLEASE!



YOU'LL  
LET ME  
GO, RIGHT?

PLEASE,  
PAPA!



PAPA  
WANTS  
TO FLY!

PAPA,  
PLEASE!

PAPA



WHAT IN THE  
WORLD...!!

PLEASE!

WHAT'S  
HAPPENED  
TO YOU,  
PAPA?

PLEASE!!



HOW  
EVER...

MR. I  
UNDERSTAND  
WHAT YOU  
ARE SAYING



DATA

I  
SIMPLY CANNOT  
LET YOU GET  
INTO SUCH A  
DANGEROUS  
SITUATION.



JUST BECAUSE IT'S  
THEORETICALLY  
POSSIBLE TO FLY  
DOESN'T MEAN THAT  
ANYONE CAN ACTUALLY  
FLY THEM!

JUST LISTEN, NOT  
A SINGLE PERSON  
HAS EVER BEEN  
ABLE TO FLY WITH  
A FLYING MACHINE!









YOU SAY THAT  
EVEN IF YOU  
PLEA, NOTHING  
WILL CHANGE...

FAPA... YOU  
THINK THAT I'M  
A FOOLISH  
GUY, DON'T YOU?



PLP...  
PLP...

THAT THERE  
ARE JUST  
BULKY  
SHALLOW  
FEELINGS...



TO DO  
NOTHING  
AND JUST  
GIVE UP...  
FOR NOTHING  
DOING THAT?

HELP ME,  
FAPA!



BUT IS IT WRONG  
EVEN TO JUST  
TAKE A CHANCE,  
HOWEVER SMALL  
IT MAY BE?







WHAT WERE  
WE TALKING  
ABOUT?

OH... MY  
HEAD...

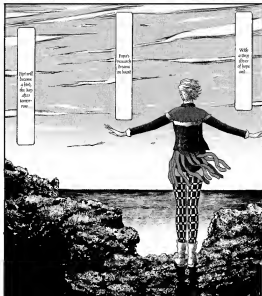
BLAT



Remember we  
talked about this,  
her heart just  
clatters like that  
a clock will

This always  
happens...





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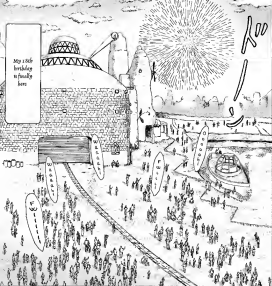
# 106th BIRTHDAY

The birthday of the 106th  
birthday of the 106th  
birthday of the 106th







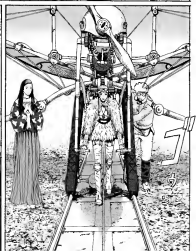


My 10th  
birthday  
is finally  
here



Pipi  
will fly!





**HAPPY  
BIRTHDAY,  
PIPI!**

**WOW!  
PIPI!**

**WOW!  
IT'S A  
BIRD!**

OOOOHH

**HOW'S  
THE  
PRESS-  
SURE?**

**PAPA ...**

**YOU  
LOOK  
GREAT,  
PIPI!**

**JUST  
FINE. IT'S  
AT ITS  
MAXIMUM!**

**& pretty!**

**OKAY!**

**REMEMBER  
YESTERDAY'S  
TRAINING,  
PIPI!**







OPEN THE  
PRESSURE  
VALVE!



DAMN, THE  
PRESSURE  
IS AT ITS  
MAXIMUM!



NO... LIGHTING-  
POWERED SYSTEMS  
NEED MORE TIME TO  
WARM UP THAN  
MECHANICAL ONES!



IT'S  
NOT  
WORKING!

IT  
DOESN'T  
EVEN  
MOVE!



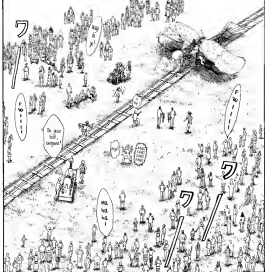
O  
THI!

LOOK AT  
THE  
CROWD!  
- E E E -

LOOK!  
IBUK STARTED  
HIS DANCE  
WITHOUT ANYONE  
NOTICING!



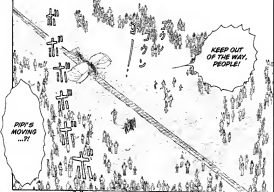


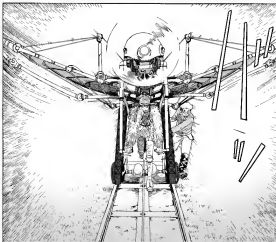
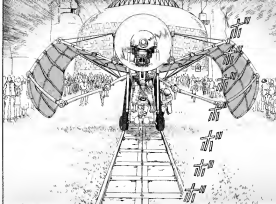




But you already  
knew that  
from the  
start,  
didn't you?











WILL IT  
START  
ALREADY??

DARN  
IT!



IT'S  
STILL NOT  
WORKING

GRRRR



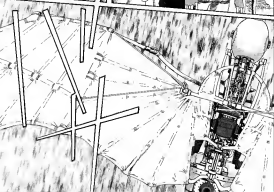
HERE  
I GO,  
PAPA!

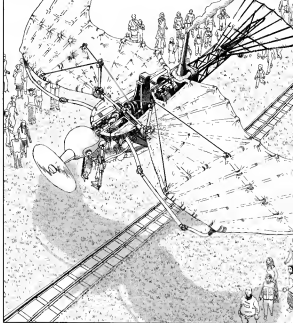
LISTEN, PAPA!  
YOU MUST  
NOT CROSS  
THE WHITE  
LINE WITH  
THE GEAR!

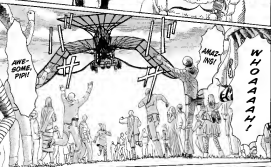














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tempera-  
ture re-  
flects the  
de-gress-  
and-the-  
weather-  
is-like

LOOK  
AT THIS,  
PAPA!



YES, I  
DID IT!



INCREDIBLE! IT  
RECOGNIZES ITS  
SURROUNDINGS!

IT WALKS!!  
IT TALKS!!



DAMN! THIS IS  
A TREMENDOUS  
SCIENTIFIC  
BREAKTHROUGH!



I'm sorry,  
Papa.



Then  
the real  
fun.

It'll cross  
the blue  
line.

Then  
will  
begin  
Higher  
than  
before.



キュウウウ

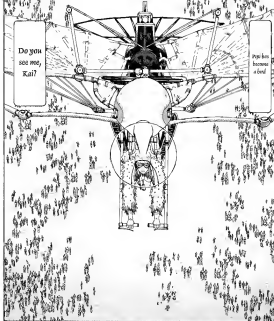
There's our  
lame... bird  
in the sky.

Stop  
stop



She's  
flying so  
high...

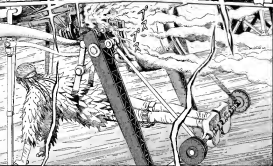
Look at  
that!



















Marie  
素音樂

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FINAL VOLUME-